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August 11, 2014

Mr. Jared Blumenfeld
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Dear Mr. Blumenfeld:

In response to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) initiative to speed action on revisions to the California State Implementation Plan (SIP), staff from U.S. EPA and the Air Resources Board (ARB) have been working together with the staffs of California's air districts to prioritize items for U.S. EPA action and identify submittals no longer appropriate for inclusion in the SIP.

The Imperial County, Placer County, Shasta County, North Coast, Santa Barbara County, Ventura County, and El Dorado County air districts have determined that a number of their local rules no longer need to be included in the SIP. Additionally, the Santa Barbara County air district has determined that its 8-hour ozone 110(a) maintenance plan no longer needs to be included in the SIP. These districts have requested that ARB withdraw the rules and plan from the California SIP via the following letters (copies enclosed):

- June 24, 2014 letter from Brad Poiriez, Imperial County Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division;
- July 7, 2014 letter from Thomas J. Christofk, Placer County Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division;
- July 8, 2014 letter from Richard W. Simon, Shasta County Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division;
- July 15, 2014 letter from Rick Martin, North Coast Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division;
- July 15, 2014 letter from Louis D. Van Mullem, Jr., Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division;

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.

California Environmental Protection Agency

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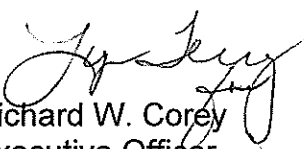
- July 23, 2014 letter from Michael Villegas, Ventura County Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division; and
- July 29, 2014 letter from Dave Johnston, El Dorado County Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division.

For convenience, we have compiled into a single table (enclosed Table 1) a list of the rules that ARB is withdrawing from the SIP at the request of the air districts. Enclosed Table 2 lists the 8-hour ozone maintenance plan that ARB is withdrawing from the SIP at the request of the Santa Barbara County air district.

Additionally, we have determined that ARB's Test Methods and Certification Procedures are already incorporated into the SIP by reference through the control measures that rely on them. On March 10, 2014 and May 29, 2014, we withdrew a number of these methods and procedures. We have identified one additional test method, listed in Table 3, that is appropriate for withdrawal, and we are now withdrawing this method from the SIP as a separate element.

If you have any questions, please have your staff contact Mr. Kurt Karperos, Chief, Air Quality Planning and Science Division at (916) 322-5350, or via email at kkarpero@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,


Richard W. Corey
Executive Officer

Enclosures

cc: See next page.

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Mr. Andrew Steckel, Chief
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Mr. Michael Villegas
Air Pollution Control Officer
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Mr. Kurt Karperos, Chief
Air Quality Planning and Science Division

Table 1: District Rules to be Withdrawn from California SIP

Air District	Rule	Submittal Date	Description
El Dorado County	527	8/24/2007	Federal Major Modifications
Imperial County	207	5/26/2000	New and Modified Stationary Source Review
Imperial County	210	5/26/2000	Denial of Application
Imperial County	211	5/26/2000	Appeals
Imperial County	212	5/26/2000	Annual Renewal
North Coast	103	7/18/2008	Action on Applications, Required Testing and Environmental Assessment
North Coast	111	9/27/2011	Federal Permitting Requirements for Sources of Greenhouse Gases
North Coast	106	7/18/2008	Emission Reduction Credit and Banking
North Coast	230	6/19/1992	Actions on Applications
North Coast	160	12/31/1990	Ambient Air Quality Standards
Placer County	515	12/23/2008	Stationary Rail Yard Control Emission Reduction Credits
Santa Barbara County	370	6/21/2011	Potential to Emit—Limitations for Part 70 Sources
Santa Barbara County	701	1/12/1999	Transportation Conformity
Shasta County	3:16	11/21/1986	Fugitive, Indirect, or Non-Traditional Sources
Ventura County	22	10/13/1995	Appeals
Ventura County	30	7/19/2004	Permit Renewal
Ventura County	51	7/19/2004	Nuisance
Ventura County	62.7	9/14/1992	Asbestos—Demolition and Renovation
Ventura County	76	9/27/2011	Federally Enforceable Limits on Potential to Emit
Ventura County	211	2/16/1999	Transportation Outreach Program

Table 2: District Plan to be Withdrawn from California SIP

District	Submittal Date	Description
Santa Barbara County	2/29/2008	2007 Clean Air Plan: 8-hour Ozone 110(a) Maintenance Plan

Table 3: ARB Test Method to be Withdrawn from California SIP

Rule	Submittal Date	Description
ARB Method 150	9/17/1990	Determination of Hydrocarbon Emissions from Fixed-Roof Crude Oil Process Tanks

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT



June 24, 2014

Kurt Karperos
Chief, Planning and Technical Support Division
California Air Resources Board, AQPSD
1001 "I" Street, 7th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95812

Dear Mr. Karperos:

After discussion with staff from the California Air Resources Board (ARB) and Region 9 of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Imperial County Air Pollution Control District (District) has identified a number of rules we believe no longer need to be included in the California State Implementation Plan (SIP). We request that ARB withdraw the following rules from the SIP. The rules will continue to be enforced locally.

Rule	Title	Date Submitted to EPA	DCN
207	New and Modified Stationary Source Review	5/26/2000	IM00000207NMSS091499
210	Denial of Application	5/26/2000	IM00000210DEAP091499
211	Appeals	5/26/2000	IM00000211APPN091499
212	Annual Renewal	5/26/2000	IM00000212ANRE091499

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to call our office and ask for Monica Soucier or Reyes Romero.

Respectfully,

Brad Poiriez
Air Pollution Control Officer

ec: Andrew Steckel, US EPA Rulemaking Chief
Patrick Au, CARB Stationary Source Division

July 7, 2014

Attn: Mr. Kurt Karperos, Chief
Air Quality Planning and Science Division
California Air Resources Board
P. O. Box 2815
Sacramento, CA 95812

Subject: Withdrawal of Placer County Air Pollution Control District Rule 515, Stationary Rail Yard Control Emission Reduction Credits, from Inclusion in the California State Implementation Plan

Dear Mr. Karperos:


The Placer County Air Pollution Control District (District) submitted new Rule 515, Stationary Rail Yard Control Emission Reduction Credits, to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) on November 5, 2008, as a requested revision to the State Implementation Plan (SIP). Rule 515 was adopted by the District's Board of Directors on October 9, 2008, and was subsequently submitted by CARB to U.S. EPA on December 23, 2008.

As a result of recent discussions with EPA Region 9 staff concerning credit permanence and enforceability, the District has decided to withdraw Rule 515 from further SIP consideration at this time.

Accordingly, the District requests the withdrawal of the 515, Stationary Rail Yard Control Emission Reduction Credits, as a revision to the State Implementation Plan. We request CARB approval and the forwarding of the withdrawal request to EPA. EPA has not taken action to approve or disapprove this Rule; therefore prompt action will prevent further unnecessary work by EPA. The District intends to amend Rule 515 in consultation with EPA staff and to submit the amended rule for inclusion as a revision to the SIP at a later date.

Please contact Todd Nishikawa, of my staff, if you have any questions, at (530) 745-2322.

Sincerely,



Thomas J. Christofk
Air Pollution Control Officer
Placer County Air Pollution Control District

cc: Michael Guzzetta, Stationary Source Division, California Air Resources Board
Andrew Steckel, Rulemaking Office, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9



Shasta County

DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
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Richard W. Simon, AICP
Director

July 8, 2014

Kurt Karperos
Chief, Air Quality Planning and Science Division
California Air Resources Board
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Sacramento, California 95812

Dear Mr. Karperos:

After discussion with staff from the California Air Resources Board (ARB) Region 9 of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Shasta County Air Quality Management District (District) has identified a rule we believe no longer needs to be included in the California State Implementation Plan (SIP). We request that ARB withdraw the following rule from the SIP. The rule will continue to be enforced locally.

Rule	Title	Date Submitted to EPA
3:16	Fugitive, Indirect, or Non-Traditional Sources	11/21/86

If you have any questions about this request, please contact Ross Bell, Air Quality District Manager at (530) 225-5674.

Sincerely,

Richard W. Simon
Air Pollution Control Officer

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July 15, 2014

Kurt Karperos, Chief
Air Quality Planning and Science Division
California Air Resources Board
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RE: SIP Backlog – Update to Requests for SIP Approval

Dear Mr. Karperos:

After discussion with staff from the California Air Resources Board and Region 9 of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District has identified a number of rules we believe no longer need to be included in the California State Implementation Plan (SIP). Accordingly, we request that ARB withdraw the petitions for SIP approval for the following rules. The rules will continue to be enforced locally.

List of Rules Where SIP Approval No Longer Requested

Rule	Title	Date Submitted to EPA
103	Action on Applications, Required Testing and Environmental Assessment	07/18/08
111	Federal Permitting Requirements For Sources of Greenhouse Gases	09/27/11
106	Emission Reduction Credit and Banking	07/18/08
230	Actions on Applications	06/19/92
160	Ambient Air Quality Standards	12/31/90

Should you have questions or require additional information, feel free to contact me directly at (707) 443-3093.

Sincerely,


Rick Martin, APCO
NCUAQMD



**Santa Barbara County
Air Pollution Control District**

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July 15, 2014

Kurt Karperos, Chief
Air Quality Planning and Science Division
California Air Resources Board
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: State Implementation Plan (SIP) Withdraw Request

Dear Mr. Karperos:

After discussion with staff from the California Air Resources Board (ARB) and Region 9 of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District (District) has identified the three prior submittals not yet approved by USEPA that we believe no longer need to be included in the California SIP. We request that ARB withdraw the SIP submittals listed below:

Item Description	Title	Submittal date to USEPA
8-hr ozone 110(a) maintenance plan	2007 Clean Air Plan	02/29/08
Rule 370	Potential to Emit - Limitations for Part 70 Sources	06/21/11
Rule 701	Transportation Conformity	01/12/99

This withdraw request was discussed with ARB and EPA staff as reflected in the attached email.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact Brian Shafritz of my staff at 805-961-8823.

Sincerely,



Louis D. Van Mullem Jr.,
Air Pollution Control Officer



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Air Pollution
Control District**

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**Michael Villegas
Air Pollution Control Officer**

July 23, 2014

Kurt Karperos, Chief
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Sacramento, California 95819

**Re: Request to Withdraw Ventura County Air Pollution Control District Rules from the
California State Implementation Plan**

Dear Mr. Karperos,

After discussion with staff of the California Air Resources Board (ARB) and Region 9 of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District has identified a number of rules we believe no longer need to be included in the California State Implementation Plan (SIP). We therefore request that ARB withdraw the following rules from the SIP. The rules will continue to be enforced locally.

Rule Number	Rule Title	Date Submitted to EPA
22	Appeals	10/13/95
30	Permit Renewal	07/19/04
51	Nuisance	07/19/04
62.7	Asbestos - Demolition and Renovation	09/14/92
76	Federally Enforceable Limits on Potential to Emit	09/27/11
211	Transportation Outreach Program	02/16/99

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please contact Chuck Thomas of my staff by telephone at 805/645-1427 or by email at chuck@vcapcd.org.

Sincerely,


MICHAEL VILLEGAS
Air Pollution Control Officer

c: Laura Lawrence, ARB
Andy Steckel, EPA Region 9



**County of El Dorado
Air Quality Management District**

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Dave Johnston
Air Pollution Control Officer

July 29, 2014

Kurt Kaperos
California Air Resources Board
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Sacramento, CA 95812

Subject: Withdrawal of Rule 527 Federal Major Modifications Rule from the State Implementation Plan (SIP)

Dear Mr. Karperos,

On April 10, 2014, the El Dorado County Air Quality Management District (AQMD) received an email from Andrew Steckel, Office Chief with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 9 containing a list of outstanding SIP submittals EPA has yet to act on. Mr. Steckel asked if AQMD wished EPA to act on District Rule 527 of this list or take some other course of action.

The only emissions source that may have been subject to Rule 527 was Sierra Pacific Industries' Biomass Boiler. The boiler has since been dismantled and out of permit with EDCAQMD for several years.

After consultation with Laura Yannayon, EPA Region 9, AQMD determined Rule 527 can be withdrawn as a SIP submittal and AQMD will address the New Source Review reform elements it covered in a future revision of Rule 523 New Source Review.

Therefore, on July 29, 2014, the AQMD Board of Directors approved Resolution No. 110-2014 to request EPA withdraw Rule 527 Federal Major Modifications from EPA consideration for inclusion in the State Implementation Plan (SIP). AQMD now requests the Air Resources Board transmit this request to EPA for further action.

If you have any questions, please contact AQMD at (530) 621-7501.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dave Johnston", is written over a horizontal line.

Dave Johnston
Air Pollution Control Officer

